

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**EVANSVILLE CITY/VANDERBURGH COUNTY**  
**CENTRAL DISPATCH**

**CENTRAL DISPATCH CONFERENCE ROOM**

March 22, 2012  
8:30 a.m.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, April 26, 2012  
**Executive Committee:** 8:00 a.m.  
**Full Board:** 8:30 a.m.

**Attendees:**

Police Chief of Staff Andy Chandler  
Fire Chief Mike Connelly  
Sheriff Eric Williams  
Suburban Fire Representative Keith Kahre  
EMA Director Sherman Greer  
County Council Appointee John Engelbrecht  
Director Rodney Buchanan  
Board Attorney Rhett Gonderman

**Absent:**

Mayoral Representative Christine Keck  
City Council Representative Missy Mosby  
County Commission Appointee Jo Anne Smith

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion to approve the minutes of February 23rd, 2012, made by EMA Director Greer and seconded by Police Chief of Staff Chandler. Motion carried.**

***Central Dispatch Report***

**Employee/Applicant Update:**

Director Buchanan reported that the three new employees are in the midst of their training, have participated in ride-alongs, tours, observing and classroom lecture. Fire training will begin soon. All training should be completed in approximately 3-4 months.

**Communications Upgrade Committee:**

The Communications Upgrade Committee met on March 15<sup>th</sup> with representatives from Harris Corp. Options were discussed, including maintaining and gradually upgrading the current system, as opposed to an all at once replacement. This will extend and relieve the pressure of the end of life dates. Sheriff Williams has requested a timeline showing the schedule of upgrades and costs involved from Harris in order to determine financing options.

### **Statistics:**

Included in the packets. 2011 statistics have been added in order to compare fluctuations.

### **Other Business:**

Director Buchanan reported a staff meeting was held on March 8. It was agreed to try a different supervisors' schedule that should help alleviate some overtime, as well as correct the short week issue.

### **Miscellaneous:**

Soft dispatch for the Evansville Fire Department has been implemented. So far it has been successful. The Evansville Police Department has been undergoing changes in sectors and beats, along with some other policies. The Police Department and Central Dispatch have been working well together to make any adjustments that allow both agencies to perform their work more efficiently.

Mr. Buchanan attended the Traveling City Hall meeting on February 20<sup>th</sup>. The next meeting is March 28<sup>th</sup>. A de-briefing for supervisors and dispatchers working at the time of the accident resulting in the fire fighter fatality was held on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Positive feedback was received by those who attended. A severe weather notification system is presently under construction and involved agencies are awaiting word of its completion. The system will allow faster notification of approaching threatening weather conditions.

### **Approval of Claims:**

**Motion to approve submitted claims made by Fire Chief Connelly and seconded by Suburban Fire Representative Kahre. Motion carried.**

**Next meeting date: April 26, 2012.**

**Meeting adjourned.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Nancy Coates**

#### **Copies to:**

<b>Billy Bolin</b>	<b>Chris Pugh</b>
<b>Eric Williams</b>	<b>Christine Keck</b>
<b>Missy Mosby</b>	<b>Leslie Buckman</b>
<b>Keith Kahre</b>	<b>Jo Anne Smith</b>
<b>Dave Wedding</b>	<b>Adam Groupe</b>
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**Mike Connelly**  
**Sherman Greer**  
**John Engelbrecht**  
**Andy Chandler**  
**Paul Anslinger**  
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